The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" I have already answered that."

Mr. ABDUL HAMID KHAN :—" May I know if the assurances that they gave were to the effect that they will follow any particular route or anything else ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :— " That they would not disobey any lawful orders which might be issued by the Commissioner of Police."

Mr. C. RAMASOMAYAJULU :—" May I take it that there was no order of any Magistrate ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :— " I do not hear the question, Sir."

Mr. C. RAMASOMAYAJULU :—" May I know, Sir, if the release was in accordance with section 63 ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :— " Yes, Sir. The Commissioner of Police is a Presidency Magistrate then."

Mr. C. RAMASOMAYAJULU :—" May I take it that it is not the case of an ordinary magistrate releasing them ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :— " The Commissioner of Police can release them."

Alleged application for warrant of arrest against certain Andhra leaders.

* 1457-D Q.—Mr. C. OBI REDDI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that on 17th February 1929 the Police of the City of Madras applied for warrants of arrest against Messrs. Pattabhi Sitharamiah, Suryaprakasa Rao and Annapurniah and whether the same were granted ;

(*b*) under what provision of law the warrants were applied for and granted ; and

(*c*) what was the nature of the incriminating material which the Police had collected against the said gentlemen before they applied for warrants of arrest ?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) & (*c*) Do not arise.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Public Health

Progress of the drainage scheme of the Salem Municipality.

1458 Q.—Rao Bahadur S. ELLAPPA CHETTIYAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) at what stage the drainage scheme of the Salem Municipality at present is ; and

(*b*) the reason for the delay in the starting of the scheme ?